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A Mimbres Valley Booster Tells of Pacific Coast

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we can put the water on our land at less expense than they can.

What we need here, Mr. Editor, are men with judgment and with the nerve and money to back it, men who can see a future in the Mimbres Valley and have the dinero and staying quality to make it come. Just a few of the right kind and we will have people here to study our farming, fruit raising and methods of irrigation. They will not go to California to study conditions but will come here and if our money is spent judiciously we will have things to show them.

Yours for Success,
Fred Sherman.

Milo: The Surest Grain Crop of the Great Southwest

Milo maize is not only one of the surest grain crops that can be raised in the Mimbres valley, but is also one of the most economical and productive.

Wheat on the plains of the West from forty to seventy five bushels of milo is raised per acre, under irrigation, this yield is frequently doubled. Milo maize requires very little water for growth. The irrigator in the Mimbres valley with a small pumping plant by employing the Campbell system of frequent and shallow cultivation can put in a greater acreage and raise a much larger crop, with less water than the farmer who depends entirely upon his pumping plant.

Milo stands next to Indian corn in nutritive value. A bushel of milo will produce from ten to eleven pounds of pork. Multiply this amount by the number of bushels raised per acre and the number of hogs than can be fattened on a given amount of milo may be readily ascertained. Milo possesses nearly the same feeding value as corn when fed to horses, beef or dairy cattle, hogs and sheep. Ten pounds of milo being equivalent to nine pounds of corn. In the West, milo is becoming the popular feed. Even in irrigated districts where corn can be raised profitably, many farmers prefer the growing of milo because of its hardiness and great yield. The new settler who has not yet decided upon the crops he intends raising will do well to investigate the merits of milo.

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—Harry Lorenzen.

"Uncle Sam" is Looking for Homesteaders

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to its cry for water it bears flowers without ceasing, and crop after crop the year around.

But bear this in mind: WITHOUT WATER, the land is WORTHLESS; WITH WATER all of it in this valley is RICH. And there is no lack of water here. The Mimbres river, which gathers its water from the Black Range of mountains scarcely outlives its main channel until it ducks its head into the sand and gravel strata and flows underneath at a distance of from 30 to 100 feet below the earth's surface. Numerous tests have been made of the water percolating through these strata and it has been pronounced among the purest yet discovered in America, carrying no salts nor sediments injurious to land or crops. Various governmental reports as to the quantity prove conclusively that there is a superabundance for the irrigation and successful growing of any amount of crops that may be planted in the irrigable land of this valley.

The soil here is unexcelled. Being the silt deposit and mountain erosion of ages past, it reaches down in any places to from 40 to 60 feet deep, containing all the nourishing elements required for quick and luxuriant crops.

Hundreds of acres of this rich valley land still lie vacant within a few miles of Columbus, and may be readily acquired by persons so disposed and qualified by law. An investigation of the Mimbres valley invariably results in its obtaining a new settler.

Cultivation as Essential as Irrigation in Crop Production

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development.

While water is to be had in plentiful quantities in the Mimbres valley, yet it takes some money for the purchasing of pumps and engines in order to obtain it. The farmer who has only a small engine or windmill, from which he may be irrigating only a garden or small truck patch can greatly increase his acreage if he will follow the system of deep plowing before planting, and shallow cultivation immediately after each irrigation, keeping this cultivation going at stated intervals until the crops begin to show signs of the need of more water.

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